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TITLE OF INVENTION: LIGHT EMITTING ELEMENT

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(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

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	MARY ELLEN BOWMAN	2879					
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1. This communication is responsive to Amendment filed 12/2	<u>28/09</u> .						
2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 9-20 and 32-47.							
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#### **DETAILED ACTION**

### Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments, see Arguments, filed December 28, 2009, with respect to claims 9-20 and 32-47 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of said claims has been withdrawn. Specifically, the cited prior art fails to teach a hole injecting layer directly contacting both the anode and cathode of an OLED.

### Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 9-20 and 32-47 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Regarding independent claim 9, the prior art fails to teach or suggest, "a first layer and a second layer each generating holes; a third layer containing a light emitting material; and a fourth layer generating electrons, wherein the first layer is in direct contact with the first electrode, the second layer is in direct contact with the second electrode," in conjunction with the remaining limitations of said claim.

Regarding independent claim 13, the prior art fails to teach or suggest, " a first layer and a second layer each containing a P-type semiconductor; a third layer containing a light emitting material; and a fourth layer containing an N-type semiconductor, wherein the first layer is in direct contact with the first electrode, the second layer is in direct contact with the second electrode," in conjunction with the remaining limitations of said claim.

Regarding independent claim 34, the prior art fails to teach or suggest, "a first layer generating holes over and in direct contact with the first electrode... a second layer

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generating holes over the fourth layer; and a second electrode over and in direct contact with the second layer," in conjunction with the remaining limitations of said claim.

Regarding independent claim 39, the prior art fails to teach or suggest, "a first layer containing a P-type semiconductor over and in direct contact with the first electrode...a second layer containing a P-type semiconductor over the fourth layer; and a second electrode over and in direct contact with the second layer," in conjunction with the remaining limitations of said claim.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

#### Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to MARY ELLEN BOWMAN whose telephone number is (571) 270-5383. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Thursday, 7:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (571) 272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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